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School districts share \$4.9 million in AODA grant funding

School-tobacco grants go to 38 communities to curb or eliminate early smoking

MADISON—State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster announced that 93 school districts will share \$4.9 million in state funds to provide programs and instruction to prevent students from using alcohol and other drugs (AODA). Another \$350,000 will fund 26 grants for tobacco prevention and intervention activities in 38 communities.

"Use and abuse of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs by young people can severely compromise their success in school," Burmaster said. "These grants will help reduce or eliminate the barriers that substance abuse places on their academic achievement and thus support our New Wisconsin Promise to provide a quality education for every child."

The 81 state AODA grants for the 2006-07 school year will fund programs in 93 school districts that teach skills and information aimed at preventing students from using alcohol and illegal drugs. School districts use a comprehensive approach for programming. Many of the funded projects use multiple strategies and link resources from home, community agencies, and the school to impact student decision-making and behavior related to drugs and alcohol. Grants may be renewed for a second year of funding in the 2007-08 school year.

"These grants will help Wisconsin schools address AODA issues through health education, peer support programs, school climate programs, and family and community outreach efforts," Burmaster said. "As multi-year, multi-strategy initiatives, these grants often have an impact for years beyond the project funding."

In addition to the AODA grants, Burmaster announced that 38 communities received school-tobacco grants through a cooperative agreement with the Department of Health and Family Services. As part of a comprehensive tobacco control effort by the state, these school-tobacco grants are meant to

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insure that there are efforts aimed at prevention and cessation of early smoking. Grants are evaluated based on their use of National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Guidelines for school-tobacco programs. Particular importance is placed on the school's involvement and cooperation with local tobacco coalitions in their county or communities. Awards were made to both individual school districts and consortium projects where clusters of neighboring schools planned to work together.

"Research has proven over and over again that academic success is severely compromised by the use of and abuse of drugs and alcohol. To invest in our children and help students reach their full potential, we owe it to them to reduce or eliminate the barriers that substance abuse places on their education," Burmaster said

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ATTACHMENT: A list of school districts receiving state Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse grants and School-Tobacco Grants for the 2006-07 school year follows. Grant recipients marked with an asterisk (*) are the fiscal agent for a consortium.

2006-07 Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse and School-Tobacco Grants

State AODA Grants

Amery, \$50,000 Athens, \$25,000 Augusta, \$25,000 Barron Area, \$23,680

Beaver Dam, \$79,940

Beloit, \$79,885

Berlin Area, \$50,000

Bonduel, \$25,000

Bruce *

Bruce, Ladysmith-Hawkins, and Weyerhaeuser, \$42,000

Burlington Area, \$79,427

CESA 5 *

Columbus, Lodi, Pardeeville, Portage, Rio, and Wisconsin Dells, \$70,000

Chetek, \$50,000

Clintonville, \$50,000 Columbus, \$50,000 Cuba City, \$24,855 De Pere, \$80,000

Deerfield Community, \$25,000 Eau Claire Area, \$175,000

Elcho, \$25,000

Ellsworth Community, \$48,524

Flambeau, \$25,000 Galesville-Ettrick-Trempealeau, \$50,000

Green Bay Area, \$175,000

Green Lake, \$24,995 Hartford J1, \$37,625

Hayward Community, \$42,596

Howard-Suamico, \$80,000

Hustisford, \$25,000 Ithaca, \$25,000 Janesville, \$174,000 Johnson Creek, \$23,544 Kaukauna Area, \$79,879 Kenosha, \$175,000

Lac du Flambeau #1, \$25,000

Lakeland UHS, \$25,000 Little Chute Area, \$50,000 Madison Metropolitan, \$175,000

Manitowoc, \$49,300 Marshall, \$25,000 Menasha, \$48,743

Middleton-Cross Plains, \$80,000

Milton, \$80,000 Milwaukee, \$350,000 Minocqua J1, \$25,000 Monona Grove, \$35,863 Monroe, \$50,000

Mount Horeb Area, \$25,000

Neenah, \$33,115 Neillsville, \$50,000

Montello, \$25,000

Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton, \$25,000

Oconto Falls, \$50,000 Oregon, \$72,052

Palmyra-Eagle Area, \$50,000

Phillips, \$24,741 Plymouth, \$49,250 Poynette, \$50,000 Racine, \$175,000 River Falls, \$80,000 Sauk Prairie, \$49,428 Sheboygan Falls, \$40,704 Sparta Area, \$45,000 Spencer, \$25,000 Spooner Area, \$50,000 Spring Valley, \$25,000

Stockbridge *

Brillion, Hilbert, New Holstein, and Stockbridge, \$60,000

Stoughton Area, \$49,000 Sun Prairie Area, \$79,995

Stevens Point Area, \$80,000

Tomahawk *
Mercer, Phelps,
and Tomahawk, \$49,936

Viroqua Area, \$43,404 Watertown, \$80,000 Wausau, \$80,000 Wautoma Area, \$50,000 West Allis, \$80,000

Westfield, \$50,000

Whitefish Bay, \$38,762

Winneconne Community, \$49,892

Wisconsin Dells, \$49,993 Wisconsin Heights, \$24,983 Wisconsin Rapids, \$80,000

School-Tobacco Grants

Alma, \$5,000 Amery, \$10,000 Antigo, \$10,000 Beloit, \$14,965

Black River Falls, \$10,000

Bruce *

Bruce, Ladysmith-Hawkins, and Weyerhaeuser, \$15,000

CESA 4 *

Arcadia, Holmen, and Whithall, \$15,000

CESA 11 (Barron/St. Croix) *
Baldwin-Woodville, Chetek,
Glenwood City, and Turtle
Lake, \$15,000

CESA 11 (Polk/Burnett) * Fredric, Luck, and Webster, \$15,000

Chippewa Falls Area, \$15,000

Cudahy, \$10,000

Deerfield Community, \$5,000 Eau Claire Area, \$20,000 Ellsworth Community, \$9,668 Fond du Lac, \$15,000

Green Lake, \$5,000 Greendale, \$10,000 Janesville, \$20,000 Mauston, \$10,000 Milwaukee, \$40,000

Nicolet UHS *

Fox Point J2, Glendale-River Hills, Maple Dale-Indian Hill, and Nicolet, \$5,138

Oshkosh Area, \$20,000

Palmyra-Eagle Area, \$10,000

Racine, \$20,000 Wausau, \$15,000 West Allis, \$10,000